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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

37 C.F.R. 1.98 does not require a copy of U.S. patents or published U.S. patent applications to be included with an information disclosure statement. Accordingly, Applicant is not including a copy of any U.S. patent or published U.S. patent application.

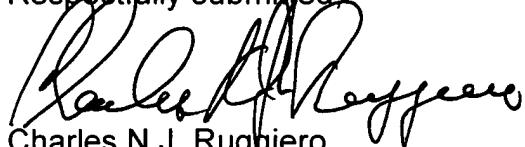
We are also enclosing copies of the non-US references listed on the attached PTO-1449.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the citations that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the claimed invention. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to review the listed citations and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b)(4), with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), submitted herewith. Accordingly no petition or fee is required.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted



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